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**Abstract of the Disclosure**

The invention relates to a liquid crystal device, comprising an antiferroelectric liquid crystal material (AFLC material) having smectic layers, and two substrates confining said AFLC material therebetween, wherein said AFLC material is uniaxial negative. Preferably, the AFLC material is uniaxial as a consequence of a surface stabilization and of a selected smectic tilt angle  $\theta$  of said AFLC material. Preferably, said angle  $\theta$  is in the range of  $40^\circ \leq \theta \leq 50^\circ$ , especially  $45^\circ$ . The invention also relates to electrooptic liquid crystal devices.

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